

Sycamore Valley Elementary SHARK BITES



Message from Patricia Kawahara - Principal August 4, 2023

Dear Sycamore Valley Families,

Summer flew by and here we are, just a week away from the first day of school. I know there is a lot of information coming out this time of year and I want to highlight some items you will want to note. Keep reading for information regarding dates to remember, the School Site Council slate, district annual update, school site registration and some changes to Holbrook Drive.

Dates to Remember:

08/07 - Classroom/Teacher assignments posted in parent portal

08/08 - TK/K Ice Cream Social - TK/K playground @ 1:00pm

08/08 - New Family Orientation - Meet at entrance to campus @ 6:30pm

08/09 - TK/K Back to School Night - **Parents Only** @ 5:30pm

08/10 - First Day of School - Min. Day Schedule

TK/K = 8:00am - 9:30am

1st - 5th = 8:00am - 12:00pm

08/10 - 1st - 5th Grade Back to School Night **Parents Only**

5th grade @ 5:30 - 6:15 for BSTN and Outdoor Ed in MPR

1st - 3rd grade @ 5:30pm - 6:15pm in the classroom for the teacher presentation

All Grades @ 6:20pm - 6:40pm in the MPR for Principal Kawahara's presentation w/ Chief Shields

4th - 5th grade @ 6:45pm - 7:30pm in the classroom for the teacher presentation

08/11 - 08/18 = Assessment Day Schedule view August Schedule for times:

August Schedule

08/21 - Regular Bell Schedule begins **August Schedule**

08/30 - School Photos

School Site Council:

The School Site Council is a collaborative council composed of five parents, and five staff members (teachers, classified staff and school administration) and two alternate parent members. We meet five times during the year to review school data and progress towards goals, consider and provide feedback on the development of new goals as well as the school safety plan. If you are interested in being on the ballot please submit a short bio to Barbara Jones bjones1@srvusd.net by Friday, August 11th at 3:00p.m.

District Information:

You have likely received this information in a district communication but just in case -

Annual Update-

Please visit the [Infinite Campus Parent Portal](#) to complete your Annual Update by August 9, 2023.

- [Instructions and information about the Annual Update](#)
- [Annual Update Webpage](#)

Additionally, we want to share important information on [Available Language Programs and Language Acquisition Programs](#).

Sycamore Registration for 23/24:

Now that your child is enrolled in school, it is time for the Sycamore 23/24 registration.

Site specific registration for Sycamore Valley is done each year online: Click on the following link to start your 23/24 Sycamore registration.

<https://sycamorevalley.futurefund.com/registration>

Changes to Holbrook Drive:

In an effort to streamline drop off and pick up and alleviate (hopefully) the congestion on Camino Tassajara the town of Danville has made some changes to Holbrook Drive. You will notice new signage regarding turning right onto Holbrook, new lane striping and lane dividers. Please review the following graphic for details.

At drop off and pick up, please pull *all the way forward in the carline* Please be sure your child is ready to exit the car (ie. shoes on, breakfast eaten, etc.). Please work with your child to exit the car independently on the curb side of the car. We ask parents not to get out of the car to assist children (this keeps the line moving along). Chief Shields with the Danville Police Department and I will go over these adjustments and the procedures in more detail at Back to School Night.



Sycamore Valley Elementary Drop-off and Pick-up Reminders

For questions or concerns, contact Principal Patricia Kawahara at pkawahara@srvusd.net

FOR VEHICLES

- 1** **RESTRICTED RIGHT TURN:** on westbound Camino Tassajara at Holbrook Drive when students are present; obey the new right turn traffic signal
- 2** **Holbrook Drive merge:** two northbound lanes on Holbrook Drive merge into one lane at the crest of the hill
- 3** **Crossing Guards:** obey Crossing Guards at Holbrook/Camino Tassajara and Staff in front of the school
- 4** **No Parking in front of school:** during school hours. Use the main parking lot to park your vehicle and walk to campus
- 5** **Extended Drop-off / Pick-up area:** drive your vehicle all the way forward to drop off or pick up your student
- 6** **Watch for pedestrians in the crosswalks**
- 7** **Small parking lot near Kindergarten:** will be closed during drop-off and pickup
- 8** **No U-turns:** at the top of the hill

FOR PEDESTRIANS

- 3** **Pedestrians and bicyclists:** obey Crossing Guards



Looking forward to seeing you next week!

Thank you for the gift of your child,
Patricia Kawahara

GO SHARKS!

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